

MOTION BY MAYOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

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**“WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY”**

In 1971, the United States Congress designated August 26 as “Women's Equality Day” to commemorate the 1920 passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution -- the Woman Suffrage Amendment -- granting women the right to vote. This was the culmination of a civil rights movement by women that had its formal beginnings in 1848 at the world's first Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, New York. In addition to commemorating the passage of the 19th Amendment, the observance of "Women's Equality Day" also calls attention to women's continuing efforts toward full equality.

Introduced in January, Senate Joint Resolution 20 would memorialize the Congress and the President of the United States to uphold protections of women's equality and encourage all Americans to participate in the celebration of "Women's Equality Day" on August 26, 2006, the 86<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors proclaims August 26, 2006 as “Women's Equality Day” throughout Los Angeles County, and instructs the Executive Officer of the Board to send a five-signature letter to Governor Schwarzenegger, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Senate minority leaders, and the Los Angeles County Legislative delegation expressing the Board's support of Senate Joint Resolution 20.

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